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Dear Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.51, 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants submit herewith patents, publications or other information listed on attached Forms PTO-1449 for consideration by the Examiner in connection with examination of the present application. Copies of the documents listed on Form PTO-1449 are not submitted herewith because they were previously cited by or submitted to the Office in a prior application, which is properly identified as parent application Serial No. 10/251,053, filed September 20, 2002, which is a continuation of application Serial No. 09/962,835, filed September 25, 2001, now U.S. Patent No. 6,494,602, which is a continuation of application Serial No. 09/641,379, filed on August 18, 2000, now U.S. Patent No. 6,299,333, which is continuation application of Serial No. 09/174,757, filed on October 19, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,149,287, which is a continuation of application Serial No. 08/687,628, filed July 26, 1996, now Patent No. 5,823,654, which is a continuation-in-part of application Serial No. 08/607,284, filed February 2, 1996, now Patent No. 5,669,704, which is continuation of Serial No. 08/426,591, filed April 21, 1995, now Patent No. 5,497,306, which is a continuation-in-part of application Serial No. 08/333,412, filed November 2, 1994, now Patent No. 5,497,305, which is a continuation of application Serial No. 08/011,947 filed, February 1, 1993, now Patent No. 5,371,659. A copy of each information item is of record in one of the prior related applications. Copies of the references cited which were not cited in one of the prior related applications is enclosed.

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Under 37 CFR 1.97(h), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made or that no other material information as defined in 37 CFR 1.56(a) exists.

Applicants also wish to advise that the Assignee of the present application has filed a counterclaim in a case captioned Reitter & Schefenacker GmbH & Co. KG vs Donnelly Corporation, Civil Action No: 1-02-0057 (M.D.Tenn.) in which it has asserted infringement of US Patents 5,863,116 and 6,086,229, which claim priority in whole or in part from application Serial No. 08/011,947 filed February 1, 1993, now Patent No. 5,371,659.

Applicants also submit a translation of Japanese Patent Document 62-191246 (for which an English Abstract was previously submitted), which Applicants have obtained through a Request for Reexamination for U.S. Patent No. 5,497,659, from which this application claims priority.

The European Search Report for European patent application Serial No. 96650012.6, based on a related U.S. patent application, Serial No. 08/426,591, now U.S. Patent No. 5,497,306 is listed to provide a statement of relevance for French Patent Documents 2,618,397 and 2,612,136 and German Patent Documents 2634372 and 3614882, which are listed on the attached PTO-1449 form.

Notably, three patents listed on the attached PTO-1449 form correspond to or are related to previously identified patents, namely: GB 2 275 329 corresponds or is related to U.S. Patent Nos. 5,371,659; 5,497,305; and 5,497,306, FR 2,618,397 corresponds or is related to U.S. Patent No. 4,809,137, and FR 2,612,136 corresponds or is related to DE 3,803,510.

German Patent Document 94095663 discloses an exterior rearview mirror assembly with a forward facing light assembly and reflector strips.

German Patent Document 9101029 discloses an exterior rearview mirror assembly which incorporated two forward facing blinking light sources.

German Patent Document 4141208 discloses an exterior rearview mirror assembly with a blinking light source.

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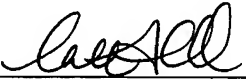
An early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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